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SUBJECT: ALARM SYSTEM, AMERICAN EMBASSY SEOUL

1. RECENT ATTEMPTS TO ROUTINELY SERVICE AND EXPAND SEVERAL ALARM SYSTEMS IN THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, SEOUL HAVE BEEN PLAGUED WITH PROBLEMS. THE LACK OF DOCUMENTATION AND THE DIFFICULTY IN WORKING ABOVE THE CEILING SPACES, WHERE MOST ALARM WIRING IS LOCATED IN THIS EIGHT STORY EMBASSY, HAVE MADE IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO KEEP THE EXISTING ALARM SYSTEMS OPERATING PROPERLY, NOT TO MENTION ADDING NEW ALARMS TO THE SYSTEM. IN ADDITON, ALARMS HAVE BEEN WIRED INTO THE TELEPHONE SYSTEM, IN SOME CASES, MAKING TROUBLE SHOOTING VERY DIFFICULT.

2. TO SIMPLIFY MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING ALARM SYSTEMS AND INSTALLATION OF NEW SYSTEM, TO ELIMINATE THE DEPENDENCE ON THE TELEPHONE SYSTEM, AND TO "START-OVER" WITH PROPER DOCUMENTATION THIS TSO AND CEC RINESMITH HAVE DESIGNED A CENTRAL ALARM BUSS SYSTEM WHICH, IF INSTALLED, WILL REPLACE ALL INDIVIDUAL WIRE RUNS BETWEEN THE ALARMS AND THE MONITOR UNITS. THE SYSTEM WILL CONSIST OF NINE TELEPHONE TERMINAL BOXES INTERCONNECTED BY A 50 PAIR TELEPHONE CABLE.
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INDIVIDUAL ALARMS WILL BE TIED TO THE BUSS AT A TERMINAL BOX ON THE SAME FLOOR AS THE ALARM. ONE OF THE TERMINAL BOXES WILL BE LOCATED IN THE MSG DESK WHERE ANY PAIRS OF THE CABLE COULD BE EASILY CONNECTED TO THE MONITORS. THE CABLE WILL RUN VERTICALLY THROUGH THE BUILDING IN AN UNUSED ELEVATOR SHAFT WHICH HAS BEEN TURNED INTO A JANITOR'S CLOSET ON EACH FLOOR. THE SPACE FOR THE CABLE IS ACTUALLY

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BEHIND ONE WALL OF THE CLOSET, THE USE OF WHICH WILL
RESULT IN A SECURE CABLE RUN WITHOUT CONDUIT.

3. IF THIS PROPOSED SYSTEM IS ACCEPTABLE, THE FOLLOWING
PARTS WILL BE REQUIRED FROM WASHINGTON:

A. TWO HUNDRED FIFTY FEET OF FIFTY PAIR TELEPHONE CABLE,
PREFERABLY WITH THE WESTERN ELECTRIC COLOR CODE.

B. TWENTY FIVE PAIR PUNCH TYPE TERMINAL BLOCKS, NOT
SPLIT, FOR USE WITH A WESTERN ELECTRIC SEVEN FOURTEEN B
TOOL, TWENTY FIVE EACH.

C. TWO EACH WESTERN ELECTRIC SEVEN FOURTEEN B TELEPHONE
TERMINAL PUNCH TOOLS.

D. DRILL BIT, HOLLOW CORE, ONE AND ONE HALF INCH
DIAMETER, TWELVE INCHES OR GREATER IN LENGTH (MCMASTER-
CARR CATALOG 81, PAGE ELEVEN HUNDRED AND TWO, ITEM NUMBER
TWO NINE FOUR TWO A TWO SEVEN PLUS EXTRA LENGTH SHANK
NUMBER TWO NINE FOUR TWO A SIX TWO OR SIMILAR).

4. IN ADDITION, FOR THE LOCAL PURCHASE OF NINE EACH
LOCKABLE TERMINAL BOXES AT US DOLLARS FORTY EACH
ADDITIONAL CONTINGENCY FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF US DOLLARS
THREE HUNDRED FIFTY WILL BE REQUIRED. ADDITIONAL FUNDS IN
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THE ABOVE AMOUNT WILL LEAVE THE TOKYO CONTINGENCY FUND
WITH APPROXIMATELY US DOLLARS TWO HUNDRED AFTER THIS
EXPENDITURE.
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